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1. The SED Vorstand was summoned into session in Berlin 29-30 June at Russian insistence some two weeks before its next scheduled meeting. During the period 25-29 June top SED leaders received instructions from the Russians on the new political line. The Russian officers concerned are reported to be Col. Abramov, Col. Tulpanov, and others unnamed.
2. The new line is that the SED is to abandon all its nationalistic propaganda since Volkskongress, Volksrat, Volksbegehren, etc. have proved unable to win popular support in the West. The steps taken by the Allies in the West -- currency reform, western state, Marshall Plan -- render any SED success in the West impossible.
3. The SED is now to devote its main energy to the East. The Russian Zone will enjoy economic prosperity through its ideological connections with the eastern democracies. For this program all emphasis is to be placed on strict Marxist-Leninist doctrine. The SED has been promised complete integration of the Russian Zone in the economic system of eastern Europe and the Balkans.
4. The SED has been informed that it need show no restraint in taking a stand against the capitalistic nations of the West. Four-power ordinances about respect for the Allies are now void. The western nations are enemies of the USSR and therefore of the Communist movement and are to be treated accordingly. This new clear cut line is based on the realization that the hour of revolution has come.

Within the Russian Zone the SED will pursue its goal without compromises. The bourgeois parties there will be unable to offer any opposition. The Volksrat and related institutions will not be publicly disavowed because the time may come when they can be used as ready instruments for advancing SED claims to represent all of Germany. The bourgeois politicians enrolled in the Volksrat are complete captives of the SED; as long as they remain in their posts the bourgeois parties will be powerless to offer any opposition.

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6. The Vorstand considered the following measures for immediate use in Berlin:

- a. Mobilization of action committees.
- b. A Putsch against the city assembly.
- c. A general strike.

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